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SUBJECT: FURTHER PRESS TREATMENT OF SANCHEZ ATTEMPTED

RAPE CASE REF: ATHENS 066

- 1. SUMMARY: NEWSPAPERS THROUGH EDITORIALS AND PHOTOGRAPHS CONTINUED TO COVER CASE OF U.S. MARINE SARGEANT SANCHEZ CHARGED WITH ATTEMPTED RAPE. EDITORIAL COMMENT FOCUSED SHARPLY ON QUESTION OF SANCHEZ' IMMUNITY OF "EXTRATERRITORIAL PRIVILEGE." END SUMMARY.
- 2. ATHENS PRESS OVER WEEKEND CARRIED PHOTOS OF SGT. SANCHEZ IN CUSTODY, ONE WITH CAPTION QUOTING SANCHEZ AS SAYING "I AM ONLY A DRUNK NOT A SATYR," AND EDITORIALS DWELLING ON SANCHEZ'S POSSIBLE IMMUNITY FROM GREEK JUDICIAL PROCESS. ESTIA WROTE ON JAN 3 THAT CASE OF AMERICAN HUMANOID BEAST MUST NOT REMAIN WITHOUT CONSEQUENCES. "IT WOULD BE SERIOUS MISTAKE IF U.S. EMBASSY OR ANY OTHER SERVICE ATTEMPTED TO TAKE THIS AMERICAN HUMANOID FROM HANDS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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GREEK JUSTICE..." ESTIA IN LATER EDITION ADDED THAT IT WOULD

BE BEST FOR US EMBASSY NOT TO INVOKE EXTRATERRITORIAL SHIELD IN ORDER TO PROTECT ITS SATYR MARINE AND GOG SHOULD LIMIT EXTRATERRITORIAL PRIVILEGES TO AMBASSADOR AND HIGH-RANKING PERSONNEL OF US SERVICES IN GREECE. AKROPOLIS JAN 4 WROTE THAT IT IS OUTRAGEOUS TO SEE CASE OF SATYR MARINE DISCUSSED ON BASIS OF WHETHER HE ENJOYS EXTRATERRITORIAL RIGHTS. "WE BELIEVE THAT CLAIM OF US EMBASSY NOT TO HAVE THE SATYR APPEAR BEFORE GREEK JUSTICE IS GREATER BLOW TO REMNANTS OF GREEK-US FRIENDHSIP THAN BRUTAL ACT ITSELF." SAME NEWSPAPER FOLLOWING DAY NOTED THAT IN ACCORDANCE WITH US-GREEK AGREEMENT FOR PROTECTION OF AMERICAN MILITARY SERVING IN THIS COUNTRY GREECE IS ENTITLED TO TRY AMERICAN MILITARY ON CRIMES OF SPECIAL IMPORTANCE. "IT IS TIME THAT QUESTIONS CONCERNING EXTRATERRITORIAL RIGHTS OF AMERICANS BE SETTLED ONCE AND FOR ALL..." KATHEMERINI SAME DAY WROTE "WE ARE CURIOUS TO SEE WHETHER US SIDE WILL DARE TO INVOKE THIS PRIVILEGE OF EXTRATERRITORIALITY FOR A BEAST?" TA NEA JAN 8 IN HUMOR/OPINION COLUMN UNDER TITLE "THE WORD OF SHAME" URGED THE GOG TO TAKE IMMEDIATE ACTION ON THE WORD OF SHAME--EXTRATERRITORIALITY." **STEARNS** 

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